

FLOATING COTTON

WASHINGTON, D. C., Special.—The inter-State commerce commission has, in an opinion by Commissioner Prentiss,

City, Memphis & Birmingham Railroad Co. and others, which mainly involved the practice of "floating cotton." The commission finds that the essential transportation feature is carrying the cotton to a compress, receiving it again in the compressed state, and transporting it to its destination.

point of origin. The commission holds, first, that the user may, as a part of the contract for through shipment, have the cotton to be shipped off for the purpose of grading and compressing. It is a principle of law that what becomes part of the service covered by the rate, and should be specified by the tariff; second, that the destination of the cotton for such shipment is the contract, and if the cotton starts and proceeds upon a contract for through shipment, as is shown to be the case here, it cannot be considered as a through shipment and be given the benefit of a through rate.

Aguinaldo May Be Deposed.
MANILA, Special.—There were rumors Wednesday that Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, had been supplanted in the control of Filipino affairs by General Emilio Aguinaldo y Fuga, chief of the Filipino forces. Luna is described as being a typical beligerent, while Aguinaldo y Fuga, United States Philippine commissioner, has been posted in the streets, printed in English, Spanish and Tagala. It was said that the latter had been so far as Manila and has been received with marked attention by the natives generally and has been approved by a number of representative Malians.

A Sad Tragedy in Albany.
ALBANY, Ga., Special.—Walter R. Jackson, one of the most prominent young men in the city, who is prominent in the college sports, shot himself Sunday night with a .40 Smith & Wesson revolver.

day night. The shocking tragedy startled the people of Albany and all day a great crowd of curious people remained about the house. Jackson is supposed to have murdered his family and slain himself in a fit of desperation, caused by the loss of his position with the Carter & Wolfolk Warehouse and Commission Co.

The Women in Charge.

BEATRICE KAUF, Special.—In the city election here, two tickets were in the field, one composed of women, and the other of men. Mrs. Charles Totten

Mrs. McNight, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Kiffin and Mrs. Watkins for counsel, while Miss O'Neil, for clerk, won easily. The women drove their own carriages all through a blinding snow storm, carrying voters to the polls. The police, judge and marshal are men.

Notes Now Being Exchanged.

WASHINGTON, Special.—The Samoan commission has progressed to the point where the three governments are exchanging notes as to the members of

Oil Wells Bought by a Syndicate.

HORSTON, Texas, Special.—An English syndicate, represented by Henry T. Kean and Charles A. Cathoon, of St. Louis, has closed a deal with petroleum producers at Corsicana by which it becomes possessed of nearly 299 oil wells and some 299,000 acres of oil land leased. The price paid is nearly \$400,000. The same syndicate will acquire

Eastern Sudan Railway.

The Cairo correspondent of The London Daily Mail says: "The government is considering a scheme for a railway through the eastern Sudan, probably from Khartoum, on the Nile, to Suakin, on the Dead Sea, by the way of Kassala, in Nubia. The idea would be to secure the Abyssinian traffic. I understand that thirty-six engines for the Uganda line are being built in the United States.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Special.—The State election Wednesday resulted in a Republican victory, though the Democrats made gains in many localities. The entire Republican State ticket, headed by Governor Dyer, was successful, and the General Assembly will be Republican by a large majority, though not as large as last year. The Socialist vote was large in the cities and manufacturing towns.

Christian Endeavor Encouraged.

BOSTON, Mass., Special.—Among the communications received by the United Society of Christian Endeavor recently, in connection with its proposition for

States Presidents, Grover Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison, commending their efforts.

Wireless Telegraphy a Fact.

PARIS, Special.—In view of the success with the experiments with the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy across the Strait of Dover, the authorities propose to transmit messages to England from Paris. The terminal

the distance to South Foreland being 290 miles.

Twenty-Five Bad Girls Make a Break.
CHILLICOTHE, Mo., Special.—Twenty-five inmates of the State Industrial

The dissolution of the Cuban Assembly caused no particular comment or surprise among the Cubans or Americans in Havana.

The great Methodist denomination, both in this country and in Europe, proposes to signalize the opening of the Twentieth century by raising an immense thank-offering to be appropriated principally to educational purposes. The amount called for is nearly \$30,000,000.

Two Garey sisters, who have been afflicted with leprosy for the last 17 years, died at their home three miles from here, after two weeks of intense suffering.

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ELECTION FRAUDS, INTIMIDATION AND MURDER.

"THE MOST PAINFUL VOTE I EVER GAVE IN MY LIFE WAS FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. I DID NOT GIVE THAT VOTE AS A DEMOCRAT, NOR FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY; BECAUSE I VERILY BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY FOR THE NEGRO TO CONTINUE AN ISSUE IN POLITICS. BUT I GAVE THE VOTE BECAUSE I FELT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE POOR NEGRO WE HAVE LEARNED TO LOVE FOR HIS FAITHFULNESS. I VOTED FOR IT TO PUT AN END TO ELECTION FRAUDS, TO INTIMIDATIONS AND MURDER. I GAVE THAT VOTE FOR THE GOOD OF MY POPULIST AND WHITE REPUBLICAN FRIENDS WHO COULD, IF THE NEGRO WAS ELIMINATED FROM POLITICS, DISCUSS THE GREAT STATE AND NATIONAL ISSUES WITHOUT BEING CALLED 'BLACK-HEARTED' SENATOR OSBORNE, IN THE LEGISLATURE OF 1899.

LEGISLATION BY THE PEOPLE.

The most democratic method of legislation known is the New England town meetings. At these New England town meetings everybody turns out at a public hall or a public square, and by popular vote, determines all important questions of government for the town. It is admitted by everyone familiar with these meetings that it is the most perfect form of government and results in most economic, efficient, and honest town governments. In no town that is governed by the town meetings has there ever been any corruption or bribery or scandal of any kind. Town aldermen, members of the legislature and members of Congress may be corrupted, and enough of them may be corrupted to effect legislation, but the people in mass have been corrupted and never will be.

If our State legislation could be enacted in the same way that legislation is enacted in the New England towns by the New England town meetings, then we would have the best, most efficient and most economical state government in every state, where the people would rule absolutely. We take it that everybody will admit this to be true; but in reply to this the politicians say it is impossible for the voice of the people to be directly utilized in state legislation, and that therefore state legislation must be enacted through representatives. They admit that these state representatives (members of legislatures) often misrepresent the wishes and desires of the people, but they say that that is one of the evils of popular government and we must submit to it, for it is the best we can do.

If this statement were true the answer would be conclusive; but it is not true, for there is a method and a means by which state legislation can be enacted in practically the same way that the New England towns are governed by the town meetings. It is through the method known as direct legislation, or the initiative and referendum. This is a method by which a part of the legislative power of a state is reserved by the people themselves instead of vesting all of it in a legislature. That is for the people to reserve the right to petition a legislature to submit any given question to a direct vote of the people whenever a certain per cent of the voters sign a petition, and also the right to have any law passed by a legislature submitted to a direct vote of the people before it shall go into effect whenever a certain per cent of the people petition ask for this to be done. This would be a great check upon legislative bodies. When members of legislatures know that the people can at once upon anything that they do, or can, by petition, force them to do what ought to be done, whether they will or not, then legislatures will at once become more responsive to the popular will. As a rule, every legislature knows exactly what the people want done. Therefore, if the legislature knew that the people's will could not be balked they would often respond to the popular will. Hence with the initiative and referendum in force it would not often be necessary for the people to resort to it.

At its last election, the state of South Dakota adopted a constitutional amendment, reserving this right to the people. The recent legislature of Utah, just before adjourning, submitted to the people a constitutional amendment providing for the adoption of the initiative and referendum. When this system shall have been adopted in every state, as it ought to be, and we trust will, then indeed will the people rule. So far, the People's Party is the only party that has been in favor of intrusting the people with this power. Each day, as the people learn more and more about the People's Party, they will know that it is truly and verily the party of the people.

Constipation

Causes fully half the sickness in the world. It retains the impure food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, head aches, coated tongue, sick headache, insomnia, etc. Hood's Pills cure constipation and all its results, easily and thoroughly. 25c. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills

Nearly every newspaper that one picks up is nowadays filled with news items and editorial utterances about trusts. The alarming growth and the menacing evil of the gigantic combinations which destroy competition, break down individual enterprise, and breed stagnation and hard times, have so attracted public attention that every newspaper has found itself forced to discuss the question. Even newspapers that are believed to be friendly to trust, are forced to take note of the alarming increase of trusts and to offer false and bogus remedies for an evil they dare not defend openly. The politicians of both parties have already begun to declare that the other party is responsible for trusts.

THE CAUCASIAN has been pointing out these evils for years, and it is glad to have suddenly received so much help, whether it is the sincere awakening of those who have in the past been asleep, or whether it is the shrewd subterfuge of the mouthpiece of the trusts attempting to mislead the people with false lights. There is no necessity, however, for anybody to be in doubt about how to get rid of trusts, or for anybody to be fooled by those who offer false remedies. Every evil has a cause. The first step in getting rid of an evil is to find the cause; the next step is to remove the cause, and then the whole job is done. The CAUCASIAN will support any party or candidates of any party that will pledge itself to remove the causes that produce trusts.

HOW IS THIS?

The other day when depositions were being taken in Wilmington, in the B. & M. Dockery contest, members of the hardware firm of Jacob and others testified that they did not sell any more fire arms during the last campaign than during other campaign years when there were no riots or murders. THE CAUCASIAN was very much surprised at seeing this testimony, for our information was just to the contrary. A few days ago we learned from a certain county merchant living not more than one hundred miles from Wilmington, that he was in Wilmington just preceding the election and that he heard members of the Jacob firm and others boasting that they could not order firearms in great enough quantities to supply the demand. That they said further that before one consignment could reach them the demand was so great that they had to send new orders. That they boasted further that these were all sold to white men and not to negroes. Not only this but that the Red Shirts would not allow any merchant to sell firearms or powder or shot or ammunition of any kind to negroes, and that one small suburban merchant who did sell some powder and shot to a negro was waited upon and informed that if such an offense was committed again he would be run out of the town. We have no doubt that this information is correct, for it is in harmony with everything else that we heard during the campaign about that hotbed of revolution and anarchy that has disgraced the State and put a blot upon the fair city by the sea. Hence our great surprise at reading in the Wilmington paper the strange testimony of members of these hardware firms. O! Good government! what crimes are committed in thy name.

BLUNDER NO. 13.

Every since the last legislature adjourned there has come light each week two or three serious or ridiculous blunders committed by that wonderful legislature which claimed to have a monopoly on the patriotism and brains of the State. The last blunder discovered, No. 13, is the Dispensary laws. It seems that there was slipped into the bill a provision requiring a physician's prescription before whiskey could be bought at a dispensary, and another provision imposing a tax upon the dispensary as heavy as to tax them out of existence. Was this a blunder, or did the whiskey trust have its finger in the pie?

The legislature of Nebraska, just before adjourning, passed a resolution instructing the Senators from that State and requesting its members in Congress to vote at the next session of Congress for the adoption of a system of postal saving banks. In this connection, let it be remembered, that at the last session of the United States Senate, the Committee on Postoffice and Postroads reported favorably the bill introduced by Senator Butler to establish such a system. Those interested in the subject should write to their Senators and Congressmen and urge them to vote for that bill. They should also write to their Senators and Congressmen and ask them to send them the committee report in support of that bill. The report is known as Senate Document No. 1,504, 3rd Session Fifty-fifth Congress.

In the more than one hundred years of the history of North Carolina, this is the first time that the State has on its hands a legislature that did not know when it was through, or how many errors it had committed; and was forced to appoint a future date of meeting again to review its work. Of course there is no provision in law and could be none under the Constitution by which they could draw mileage and per diem for this bastard session, to be held next Jan., unless the Red Shirts organize and by revolution and bloodshed usurp the government as a Wilmington, gag Bro. Worth, and take the money from the treasury and pay themselves ad libitum. But this will hardly be necessary, because there are too many corporate interests in the State that are vitally interested in this legislature.

One word of advice to the Democratic organs now advocating municipal ownership of public utilities. When the People's Party first advocated the free and unlimited coinage of silver you denounced and ridiculed it, but later found out what a good thing it would be; you have also begun to advocate the municipal ownership of public utilities, which you used to denounce and ridicule as a wild-eyed scheme of Populists. Now there is no difference whatever in the principles of municipal ownership of public utilities and the government ownership of such public utilities as come under its jurisdiction. Our advice is, therefore, to begin to advocate government ownership and thus in the future seem more consistent than you have been in the past.

Will the newspapers and writers denounce and ridicule the People's Party doctrine of government and municipal ownership of all public utilities as a crazy scheme of Populist cranks, explain to us why it is that the city of Toledo, Ohio, is so filled with these cranks in a recent municipal election they rolled up a ten thousand majority over both Democratic and Republican candidates for mayor in favor of the Independent candidate who made his light upon the platform of city ownership of all public utilities? And while they are at it, they might also explain what has caused the phenomenal growth of sentiment in favor of this People's Party doctrine and the vast increase in the number of cranks favoring it in all of the large cities of the United States.

The man who attends to his own business and does not meddle with the affairs of others, is pretty apt to steer clear of personal difficulties. Just so with a nation. For an hundred years and more the United States has followed this wise policy, and it has remained for the present Administration to take forcible possession of territory in the Orient, the battle ground of nations. Unless this new policy is discontinued, we will sooner or later be drawn into international strife.

When we have subjected the Philippines to our first war of conquest. It is no excuse to say we purchased the islands from Spain, and that therefore it is not a war of conquest. The fact remains that we have to conquer the natives before we can have a peaceful title. And this being done at the cost of great loss of life to our American soldier boys.

Every day somebody is asking, "How are we going to get rid of trusts?" The answer is easy. Remove the causes that breed them. Are you in favor of doing that?

We must not let our rebellious subjects in the Philippines and our protégés in part in Samoa cause us to overlook or forget to keep tab upon our fellow citizens, the Chinese and Japanese in Hawaii.

When you ask for Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, see that you get it and not some worthless imitation.

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MEN WHO OVERWORK.

It is hard for men of energy to keep their nerves within bounds. The spirit of necessity or ambition disregards health. Overworked men are an easy mark for kidney troubles and all catarrhal diseases. The experience of Mr. J. B. Baker, Petrolia, Ont., Canada, is well told in his letter which follows:

Dear Sir:—Four years ago I had a severe attack of Bright's disease, which brought me down to the doctor. When one of your lectures on the above disease was read to me I began to take Peruna and Man-a-Lin, and found it acted like a charm. In three months I was a well man, and have continued so ever since. Seeing the good effects of Peruna in me, numbers of people of this town have called on me who were suffering from dyspepsia. They have taken your medicine with the best results.

Peruna is the scientific remedy for catarrh. Bright's disease is catarrh of the kidneys. Diarrhea is catarrh of the bowels.

Write to the Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O., for Dr. Hartman's free book on catarrh, in which these things are clearly explained.

Mr. A. W. Conle, manager Gem nickel mines, Hillsdale, Col., writes:

"I tried Peruna for catarrh. My hearing was almost gone in one ear, and one bottle of Peruna cured me."

To the negro people of the South is to be added the Malay Problem of the East. Have we found the first of such easy solution that we must consider it a pleasure and advantage to assume the responsibilities of the latter? We think not.

PUBLIC OPINION.

More "Incompetency."

Hickory Times-Mercury.

The legislature, it said, made a mistake and taxed the Knights of Honor, Royal Arctanum and Knights of Pithias and such orders, the same as old line insurance companies. Suppose Populists had made such a mistake! It would have been "incompetency." What is it now?

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, cures headache, regulates stomach, bowels and liver.

In the new charter for Goldsboro, the legislature put in that all voters for mayor must be put in one box and all voters for aldermen must be put in another box. Take big boxes, wouldn't it? Was this the fault of "competency" of some of their clerks? Wait till all the laws are out. Already it has beaten any legislature for mistakes.

Middle-of-the-Road Physiologists.

Some of the half-baked Populist have been talking middle-of-the-road half of the time and the other half of the time, and attempting to organize a new party, have now come to the conclusion that they are willing to fuse if a new name is adopted, with the Democrats or any body else. The fusion under a new name would be all right, but under the old name it would be all wrong. Before they write any more they had better go and lie in the sun until they are dry behind the ears.

Mothers wishing stout healthy girls should give them Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets as they approach puberty.

"The Brown Man's Burden."

London Dispatch, 9th, in New York Sun.

Henry Labouchere, the Liberal and Editor of the Truth, has published a parody on a "Crippling" and "White Man's Burden," which is being widely quoted. It runs:

Pile on the brown man's burden
To gratify your greed;
Go clear away the niggers,
Who progress would impede.

The screaming of your eagle
Will drown the victim's sob;
Go on through fire and slaughter—
There's dollars in the job.

W. O. McLean, Vashit, N. C., writes: Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine cured me of Rheumatism and my wife of Dyspepsia. I have used it seven years. We like it much better than Zellin's which gripped us every time we took it.

"A MONSTROUS ABSURDITY."

Many Good Democrats Opposed to the "Grandson of His Grandfather" Constitutional Amendment Clause.

The correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, writing to that paper from Fayetteville, under date of March 4th, says:

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Section 1. That Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina be, and the same is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof shall be substituted the following Article of Said Constitution:

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Suffrage and Eligibility to Office—Qualifications of an Elector.

Section 1. Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, 22 years of age and possessing the qualifications set out in this Article shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the State, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sec. 2. He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months and in the precinct, ward or other election district, in which he offers to vote four months next preceding the election: Provided, That removal from one precinct, ward or other election district to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in a precinct, ward or other election district from which he has removed until after such removal. No person who has been convicted, or who has confessed his guilt in open court upon indictment, of any crime, the punishment of which is, or may thereafter be, imprisonment in the State prison, shall be permitted to vote unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 3. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereinafter provided by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact to effect the provisions of this Article.

Sec. 4. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language; and, in addition thereto, shall have paid on or before the first day of March of the year in which he proposes to vote, his poll tax, as prescribed by law, for the previous year, and he shall exhibit his receipt therefor when he offers to vote. Poll taxes shall be a lien only on assessed property, and no process shall issue to enforce the collection of the same except against assessed property.

Sec. 5. No male person, who was on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person, shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualifications prescribed in section 4 of this Article. Provided, He shall have registered in accordance with this Article prior to December 1, 1908, and no person shall be entitled to register under this section after that date.

The General Assembly shall, at its first session after the adoption of this amendment, provide the manner in which the classes of persons provided for in this section shall register.

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WOMEN SHOULD KNOW IT.

Many women suffer untold agony and misery because of the nature of the disease is not correctly understood. They have been led to believe that womb trouble or female weakness is some sort of mysterious ailment, and that it is responsible for the many ills that beset womanhood.

To procure a sample bottle and booklet, containing a complete and full description of the disease itself, and a full description of the primary cause, which is the source of all the trouble, write to Dr. J. C. Stocum, of New York City, giving full express and postoffice address, and mention this paper.

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TRY THE NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE.

Beautifully colored Memorial Cards 14x22 inches, name of Deceased in bronze. If you have had any dear relative to die and desire one of these cards, address Southern Memorial Co., Raleigh, N. C.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system by entering through the mucous surfaces. Beware of cheap ointments that contain mercury. Beware of cheap ointments that contain mercury. Beware of cheap ointments that contain mercury.

Dr. J. C. Stocum, of New York City, writes to that paper from Fayetteville, under date of March 4th, says:

The Observer correctly gauges public sentiment in throwing out a word of warning against taking for granted the carrying of the ballot box of the suffrage constitutional amendment. It will require hard work from the rank and file and leaders of the party. There is certainly no cloud on the title of the Cape Fear Democracy to orthodoxy, but the writer is surprised at the number of leading Democrats whom he meets opposed to the amendment. The clause about the "grandson of his grandfather" is especially decided as a monstrous absurdity.

The suffrage amendment referred to above, which was adopted by the last Legislature, is as follows:

ARTICLE VI.

Suffrage and Eligibility to Office—Qualifications of an Elector.

Section 1. Every male person born in the United States, and every male person who has been naturalized, 22 years of age and possessing the qualifications set out in this Article shall be entitled to vote at any election by the people in the State, except as herein otherwise provided.

Sec. 2. He shall have resided in the State of North Carolina for two years, in the county six months and in the precinct, ward or other election district, in which he offers to vote four months next preceding the election: Provided, That removal from one precinct, ward or other election district to another in the same county, shall not operate to deprive any person of the right to vote in a precinct, ward or other election district from which he has removed until after such removal. No person who has been convicted, or who has confessed his guilt in open court upon indictment, of any crime, the punishment of which is, or may thereafter be, imprisonment in the State prison, shall be permitted to vote unless the said person shall be first restored to citizenship in the manner prescribed by law.

Sec. 3. Every person offering to vote shall be at the time a legally registered voter as herein prescribed and in the manner hereinafter provided by law, and the General Assembly of North Carolina shall enact to effect the provisions of this Article.

Sec. 4. Every person presenting himself for registration shall be able to read and write any section of the Constitution in the English language; and, in addition thereto, shall have paid on or before the first day of March of the year in which he proposes to vote, his poll tax, as prescribed by law, for the previous year, and he shall exhibit his receipt therefor when he offers to vote. Poll taxes shall be a lien only on assessed property, and no process shall issue to enforce the collection of the same except against assessed property.

Sec. 5. No male person, who was on January 1, 1867, or at any time prior thereto, entitled to vote under the laws of any State in the United States wherein he then resided, and no lineal descendant of any such person, shall be denied the right to register and vote at any election in this State by reason of his failure to possess the educational qualifications prescribed in section 4 of this Article. Provided, He shall have registered in accordance with this Article prior to December 1, 1908, and no person shall be entitled to register under this section after that date.

The General Assembly shall, at its first session after the adoption of this amendment, provide the manner in which the classes of persons provided for in this section shall register.

Sec. 6. All elections by the people shall be by ballot, and all elections by the General

